

Green Policy Lab

5-day Summer School 2026



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Overview

Co-organized by the **University of Vienna** and **IIASA**, the Green Policy Lab is a five-day, in-person summer school for emerging researchers who want to turn their research into sustainable policy impact. The programme provides hands-on training, expert input, and international exchange focused on evidence-informed policymaking for green and resilient futures.

- **Dates:** 6–10 July 2026
- **Location:** University of Vienna (Innovation Hub) & IIASA, Laxenburg
- **Target Group:** 30 doctoral students and postdocs (primarily from EU and EU candidate countries)
- **Language:** English
- **Application Deadline:** 9 March 2026

Goal

The Green Policy Lab equips participants with the knowledge, skills, and networks to navigate the “green” science–policy interface.

Participants will...

- understand the concept of evidence-informed policymaking and the growing importance of it.
- understand how different types of evidence influence real policy decisions.
- learn about the EU Missions and how they contribute to solving the grand societal challenges of today and tomorrow.
- build essential science-for-policy skills through hands-on exercises and simulations.
- learn to communicate research effectively and in a target-group-oriented way.
- meet and learn from leading experts at the science-for-policy interface as well as practitioners from research and policymaking.
- join a vibrant international community of science-for-policy changemakers.

Programme Design & Lead

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over 15 years of experience at the interface of science, policy, and society, including roles at the European Commission and Member State level. [Find her on LinkedIn.](#)

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